Pollution Prevention Afloat

Technology Description

- Commercial or non-developmental equipment, processes, & materials that can be used on ships to significantly reduce use of hazardous materials (HMs) & offloads of used/excess HMs
 - Paints, solvents/degreasers, cleaning agents, adhesives, sealants, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, rust/corrosion inhibitors, acids, alkalis, ethylene glycol, etc.



USS JOHN HANCOCK (DD-981) is one of eight ships on which P²A candidates are being evaluated

Benefits

- ☆ Comply with wide range of laws, regulations, Executive Orders, & Navy policies establishing HM reduction & pollution-prevention goals & requirements
- ☆ Substantially reduce types & quantities of thousands of currently used HMs
 - Reduce health & safety risks
 - Reduce manpower
 - Reduce cost of shoreside disposal of hazardous waste originating from ships & submarines (\$17M in FY95)
 - Reduce HM procurement costs
 - Reduce environmental hazards

RDT&E Status

- Evaluated >50 pollution-prevention candidates, including
 - Oily rag recycling system
 - Small aqueous parts washer
 - Mercury ion-exchange cartridge
 - Maintenance-free batteries
 - Paint dispensing system
 - High-volume low-pressure paint guns
 - Paint brush holder
- > Technology opportunities for existing & future ships